

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 remain in this application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.

An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact OSRAM SYLVANIA at (978) 777-1900.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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**APPENDIX:**

The Appendix includes the following item(s):

- a new or amended Abstract of the Disclosure
- a Replacement Sheet for Figure \_\_\_\_\_ of the drawings
- a Substitute Specification and a marked-up copy of the originally-filed specification
- a terminal disclaimer
- a 37 CFR 1.132 Declaration
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- a verified English translation of foreign priority document

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A dielectric barrier discharge lamp with a discharge vessel (1) has at least one inner electrode (5a; 5b) which is covered with a dielectric layer (6a; 6b) and is arranged on the inner side of the discharge vessel (1). The at least one inner electrode (5a; 5b) is electrically conductively connected to a supply conductor (8a; 8b) in a leadthrough region, the leadthrough region being realized by a gastight pinch (9).